

REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed April 18, 2008. Claims 1, 3-9, 11-18, 22-40, 44 and 49-60 were pending and under consideration. In the present paper, claims 18, 23-40 and 49-57 are cancelled without prejudice to Applicant's right to pursue the cancelled subject matter in one or more related continuation, continuation-in-part, or divisional applications. Claims 3, 5, 12-14, and 59 have been amended to correct typographical errors. Claims 61, 62, and 63 are new. No new matter has been introduced by the amendments and entry thereof is respectfully requested. Upon incorporation of the amendments provided herein, claims 1, 3-9, 11-17, 22, 44 and 58-63 will be pending and under consideration.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, 3-9, 11-17, 22, 44, and 58-60 are indicated to be directed to an allowable product, as indicated in the Office Action mailed March 30, 2007 and the Office Action mailed April 18, 2008.

The Amendments to the Claims

In the present paper, claims 3, 5, 12-14, and 59 are amended. Claims 61, 62, and 63 are new. All new and amended claims are fully supported by the application as filed. The amendments to claims 3, 5, 12-14, and 59 are introduced to correct typographical errors. Specific support for the amendments to claims 3, 5, 12-14, and 59 may be found, for example, in the specification at page 1, in the title, paragraph 0002, paragraph 0040, and paragraph 0041 as filed. No new matter is presented by the present amendments to the claims.

Claims 61, 62, and 63 have been added to recite particular embodiments of the invention. Support for the claims can be found in the Modifications section starting on page 29 of specification, Example 15 on page 75, as well as in Table 1 on page 76. No new matter is introduced by these claims. Accordingly, entry of the present amendment to the claims is hereby respectfully requested.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, First Paragraph

Claims 23, 24 and 32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph as allegedly not being enabled by the specification.

Without acquiescing to the propriety of the rejection, and solely to expedite prosecution of the claims, Applicant has cancelled claims 23, 24 and 31. Accordingly, Applicant believes the rejection is moot and respectfully requests its withdrawal.

CONCLUSION

No new matter has been added to the claims. The claim amendments and cancellations are intended to place the claims in proper order for allowance or reduce the issues for appeal. They should not be construed as abandonment or agreement with the Examiner's position in the Office Action. Applicant reserves the right to file subsequent applications claiming the canceled subject matter.


In light of the Amendments and Remarks herein, Applicant submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request a notice to this effect. Should the Examiner have any questions, he is invited to call the undersigned attorney

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Applicant herewith submits \$120 for a one month extension of time. It is believed that no additional fee is due with this amendment. However, if an additional fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposition Account 50-0252 referencing Docket No. 058823-0110 (RTS-0678US).

Respectfully submitted,

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